

Benjamin Ray House
West side Old Deerfield Street
between Memorial Road and Wells Street, on Lot 14
Deerfield Village
Franklin County
Massachusetts

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Wells Street, on Lot 14, Deerfield Village, Franklin
County, Massachusetts.

HISTORY

Built in 1835. Greatly altered inside -- now used for apartments.
Owned by Mrs. Nellie Tullis since about 1940.

DESCRIPTION

Two-story wood frame, clapboards. Five-bay front parallel to street,
gable roof. Central hall plan, two chimneys set behind ridge. Door-
way with coupled pilasters, side lights, entablature. Two-story ell
and lean-to on rear.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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Old Street, Deerfield
Franklin County, Massachusetts

Date of erection: 1835

Builder: Benjamin Ray

Additional data:

The lumber for the house was bought with money earned
by Ray's daughters in making palmleaf hats.

Description:

Main house frame; two stories; gable roof; two inside
chimneys; front five bays, center door.

--Information furnished by Deerfield Historical Society,
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